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1. In mid-March, a VP transportation control headquarters was established in two rooms of the Schwerin regional railroad headquarters. Knaak (fmu), previously station master at Schwerin, was made chief of this headquarters, while one Quitkat (fmu), previously departmental chief at the Guestrow railroad subdistrict office, acts as his deputy. The timetables for the SCC and VP troop trains are to be drawn up at the headquarters in the near future. 1
2. On 20 March, the Cottbus regional railroad headquarters ordered that all RRym flatcars be kept available for special missions. By 23 March, all sidings usable for the parking of railroad cars had to be reported to the regional railroad headquarters in Cottbus. 2
3. On 28 March, source learned that 200 flatcars of all types had been assembled at Pillgram. On 29 March, another 100 SS and RRym flatcars were requested by the Frankfurt/Oder railroad station. 3
4. The count of freightcars made in East Germany on 15 March had the following result:

Park of operational railroad cars:	98,051 units
Non-operational railroad cars:	27,399 "
Of which damaged cars:	20,070 units
Special purpose cars:	4,774 "
Reserve cars:	2,555 "
Total number of freightcars available:	125,450 units. 4

- 25X1A 1. [redacted] Comment. Information on the establishment of VP transportation control headquarters in all of the eight East German railroad districts was transmitted previously. These headquarters are officially designated Reichsbahn-Gegenstellen. [redacted]. It is possible that these agencies will in the future also handle Soviet military shipments.

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- 25X1A 2. [redacted] Comment. This statement agrees with recent information furnished
25X1 [redacted] according to which all RRym flatcars were
to be recorded and kept at the exclusive disposal of the Soviets. See
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- 25X1A 3. [redacted] Comment. The dispatch of heavy-duty flatcars and other flatcars
to Brest Litovsk via Frankfurt/Oder was also reported by other sources.
25X1A [redacted]. This operation indicates that tanks, guns and
motor vehicles, probably for the Volkspolizei, will soon be dispatched
from the U.S.S.R. to East Germany. Pillgram is 10 km east of Frankfurt/
Oder. It is believed that the flatcars observed there will be forwarded
to Brest Litovsk.
- 25X1A 4. [redacted] Comment. According to counts made on 15 January and 4 March 1953,
25X1A 122, 790 and 127, 157 freightcars respectively were available in East
Germany. [redacted]

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